

In the Claims:

Please amend Claims 1 and 9 as indicated below. The status of all claims is as follows:

1. (Currently Amended) An article of infant clothing comprising:
 - at least one soft and flexible elbow protective device incorporated into each elbow area of the clothing, wherein the elbow protective device includes soft padding covering the elbow area for elbow protection;
 - at least one soft and flexible knee protective device incorporated into each knee area of the clothing, wherein the knee protective device includes soft padding covering the knee area for knee protection during crawling; and
 - a traction device incorporated into at least one outer surface of the knee area or the elbow area, wherein the traction device includes sufficient coefficient of friction to create stable traction during crawling;
 - wherein at least one of the protective devices further comprises:
 - a removable insert of the soft padding, wherein the soft padding comprises a sufficient quantity of fabric materials to cover the area with a soft and flexible light padding for protection during crawling; and
 - a receiving pocket adapted to receive the insert, wherein the ~~pocket~~ pocket includes a secure tab for securing the insert inside the pocket.

2-6. (Cancelled)

7. (Previously Presented) The article of infant clothing according to claim 1, wherein the secure tab further comprises any one from the group of at least one button, a zipper, and a hook and loop attachment means, for securing the insert inside the pocket.

8. (Previously Presented) The article of infant clothing according to claim 1, wherein at least one of the protective devices is made of a predetermined decorative shape.

9. (Currently Amended) The article of infant clothing according to claim 1 further comprising at least one foot protective device incorporated into each foot area of the clothing, wherein the foot protective device includes soft padding covering the foot area for protection of the foot.

10. (Previously Presented) An article of infant clothing comprising:
at least one soft and flexible knee protective device incorporated into each knee area of the clothing, wherein the knee protective device includes soft padding covering the knee area for protection during crawling;

a traction device incorporated into an outer surface of at least one knee area, wherein the traction device includes sufficient coefficient of friction to create stable traction during crawling;

wherein at least one of the protective devices further comprises:

a removable insert of the soft padding, wherein the soft padding comprises a sufficient quantity of fabric materials to cover the knee area with a soft and flexible light padding for protection during crawling; and

a receiving pocket adapted to receive the insert, wherein the pocket includes a secure tab for securing the insert inside the pocket.

11. (Cancelled)

12. (Original) The article of infant clothing according to claim 10 further comprising at least one foot protective device incorporated into each foot area of the clothing, wherein the foot protective device includes soft padding covering the foot area for protection of the foot during crawling.

13-16. (Cancelled)

17. (Previously Presented) The article of infant clothing according to claim 10, wherein the secure tab further comprises any one from the group of at least one

button, a zipper, and a hook and loop attachment means, for securing the insert inside the pocket.

18. (Original) The article of infant clothing according to claim 10, wherein at least one of the protective devices is made of a predetermined decorative shape.

19. (Previously Presented) An article of infant clothing comprising:
at least one soft and flexible elbow protective device incorporated into each elbow area of the clothing, wherein the elbow protective device includes soft padding covering the elbow area for elbow protection during crawling; and

a traction device incorporated into an outer surface of at least one elbow area, wherein the traction device includes sufficient coefficient of friction to create stable traction during crawling;

wherein at least one of the protective devices further comprises:

a removable insert of the soft padding, wherein the soft padding comprises a sufficient quantity of fabric materials to cover the area with a soft and flexible light padding for protection during crawling; and

a receiving pocket adapted to receive the insert, wherein the pocket includes a secure tab for securing the insert inside the pocket.

20-21. (Cancelled)

22. (Previously Presented) The article of infant clothing according to claim 1, wherein said traction device includes a plurality of ribs of rubberized material of sufficient coefficient of friction to create stable traction during crawling.

23. (Previously Presented) The article of infant clothing according to claim 10, wherein said traction device includes a plurality of ribs of rubberized material of sufficient coefficient of friction to create stable traction during crawling.

24. (Previously Presented) The article of infant clothing according to claim 1, wherein the fabric materials comprise a soft cotton pad.

25. (Previously Presented) The article of infant clothing according to claim 10, wherein the fabric materials comprise a soft cotton pad.

26. (Previously Presented) The article of infant clothing according to claim 19, wherein the fabric materials comprise a soft cotton pad.